

Quarterly Trash& Recycling Service Updates



JULY- SEPTEMBER 2022

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TRASH & RECYCLING SERVICE CHANGES

The week of 4th of July, July 4 - 8 – all trash and recycling collection will be one day later. The week of Labor Day, Sept 6 – 10 – all trash and recycling collection will be one day later.

HAZARDOUS WASTE FACILITY 2021 SCHEDULE

The Regional Chemical Waste Drop-Off Facility, located at 57 Hancock Road in Willington, will be open July 16, August 20, September 17 and October 15, from 9 am to 2 pm. To find out which items are accepted, visit www.mansfieldct.gov/hazardous-waste.

REPAIR CAFÉ JULY 9, 2022

What do you do with a dress that has a tear or a lamp that no longer works? Bring it to the **Repair Café** on Saturday, **July 9, 2022 from 10 am to 2 pm**, at the First Congregational Church, 199 Valley Street, Willimantic. The Repair Café is a FREE event open to the public. Skilled volunteers will repair – or teach you to repair – your broken item. Please mask up. Check the Willimantic Repair Café, Facebook page (@repaircafe.willimantic) the day before to ensure no cancellation due to a COVID spike.

PASSENGER TIRE CHARGE

As of July 1, 2022, the cost to dispose passenger tires at the Transfer Station will increase from \$2 to \$3 to cover the increased cost by the tire vendor. See pricing at the Transfer Station by going to www.mansfieldct.gov/transfer-station.

Black Plastic Containers Are Not Recyclable

It has come to our attention that the recycling facility, Willimantic Waste Paper, is unable to sort black plastic containers, pots and trays. Please place them in the trash. Does your favorite take-out come in black plastic? Ask for an alternative, such as clear plastic containers, or better yet, bring your own reusable containers for take-out.

Did You Know That You Can Recycle These Items For Free At The Transfer Station?

Styrofoam peanuts, air pillows and bubble wrap —Styrofoam peanuts, air pillows and bubble wrap can easily be reused for shipping. In the swap shop area of the Transfer Station, there is a container where residents can drop off and pick up free packaging material.

Mattresses/Box Springs—They need to be dry and reasonably clean. Futons, foam toppers, mattress pads and crib mattresses are NOT included. There is a shipping box located near the tire container. Be prepared to stack items in the container.

For more information on COMPOSTING, scan the QR code to visit mansfieldct.gov.

Batteries— Not only are car and motorcycle batteries accepted at the Transfer Station, so are rechargeable and alkaline batteries. There is a separate container for household batteries in the electronics area.

Electronics— Includes a host of items. Printers, fax machines, laptops, phones, computer monitors, DVD players, stereos, radios, televisions and many appliances with plugs. Items are sorted by category in separate boxes in the electronics area.

Plastic Bags/Plastic Film— Clean and dry plastic bags, shrink wrap, newspaper bags, dry cleaner bags, produce bags, Ziploc bags, wrappers for paper towels, toilet paper and water bottles, air pillows and bubble wrap. There are containers for these items in the electronics area.

Fluorescent Bulbs— Whether it is spiral shaped, circular or long, any fluorescent bulb will be taken at the Transfer Station. There is separate container just for these bulbs in the electronics area.

Textiles— Any textile item, even if it's worn, torn or stained, can be recycled. Donation boxes are located at the Transfer Station. As long as they are *clean* and *dry*, you can donate the following textiles to Salvation Army and Baystate Textiles:

- All clothing including socks, undergarments/bras, ties
- All footwear
- Fabric/material scraps
- Rags
- Stuffed animals and soft toys

What You Can Take From The Transfer Station for Free

Wood Chips— Load it up yourself and it is free.

Finished Compost— Load it up yourself and it is free.

Small Household Items — Visit the swap shop area for games, books, sports equipment, small appliances, pots, pans, dishes, etc.

Styrofoam peanuts, air pillows and bubble wrap —Located in the swap shop area, packaging materials are available for your shipping needs.